

C. REMARKS AND ARGUMENTS

1. Cancellation of Claims Without Prejudice

Claims 1-25 are cancelled in the present amendment, but without prejudice to Applicant's right to pursue the subject matter of the cancelled claims in one or more continuing applications. Applicant respectfully submits that the issues raised in the non-final action dated August 25, 2005 have been rendered moot by virtue of the cancellation of Claims 1-25.

2. New Claims

New Claims 26-36 are directed to methods for verifying an inspection agent's physical access to a selected aircraft component, and for electronically storing verification information on the aircraft component. Applicant submits that the subject matter of these new claims is not taught or suggested by the prior art cited to date with respect to this application.

3. No New Matter

It is submitted that the present amendments introduce no new matter into the application. All subject matter contained in the application, as amended hereby, was expressly described in or is reasonably inferable from the originally-filed specification, claims, abstract, and drawings.

D. CONCLUDING REMARKS

Applicant respectfully submits that the application will be in condition for allowance upon entry of the current amendments, and requests timely issuance of a Notice of Allowance.

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Enclosures

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